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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Junji SAKATA, Takayuki SUGIMURA and Kouji TAKAGI  
DEVELOPING ROLLER AND IMAGE FORMING DEVICE  
**Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q78868

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 17 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and 1 sheet of drawing. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement. **Copies of the English language translation, an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

**The filing fee will be submitted at a later date.**

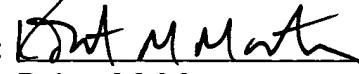
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Respectfully submitted,  
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